

# THE FAIRVIEWER

Newsletter of the Fairviewers Neighborhood Crime Watch

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## MAY MEETING

Our next meeting will be on May 20 at Grace Lutheran Church at St. John St & S. Hall St. beginning at 7:00 PM. Use the Hall Street entrance.

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Richard Kontir of Net Property Group will be making a presentation of his organization's plan for developing the Montex Mill site. He is seeking our support for this development because the plans must be reviewed and approved by City Planning Commission, Zoning Board, & City Council.

## APRIL MEETING MINUTES

- Attendance: 8 members, & 2 police officers.
- Meeting started with surprise birthday party for Ken.
- Captain Hendricks announce the May 4 Gun Buy Back at 113 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St. and the May 15<sup>th</sup> Police Awards & Memorial Ceremony at the Scottish Rite Cathedral at 10:00 AM
- Captain Hendricks requested that we make calls when we see people and /or cars observing vacant properties. There have been several break-ins and the copper water lines have been taken.
- Captain Hendricks informed us to watch for people driving around on garbage night usually picking up metal & aluminum objects. Once they are placed on the curb this is city property and they are stealing. When caught they will have to empty their truck at the recycling center. Our trash fees are affected by the material these scrapers are stealing.

## BASIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Captain Hendricks told us that Basin Street is the deadliest street in Allentown. There are several proposals to address the safety of this roadway. The Basin Street Safety Improvement Project Team will be making a presentation at the May 15 City Council meeting at 7:00 PM. The presentation will include a review of the project's purpose and scope, and offer an additional opportunity for public officials, other meeting attendees and the general public to provide input. Members of the project team will be available to answer questions. Following the presentation, a copy of the Plans Display will remain at Allentown City Hall for a period of two weeks. Comment forms will be available at the Plans Display for the public to provide comments regarding the project. You are encouraged to actively participate by viewing the Plans Display or attending the meeting and providing comments. This is important for us to do because one of the proposals was to make Basin Street one lane in each direction.

## 15<sup>th</sup> STREET BRIDGE UPDATE

The beams for the new 15<sup>th</sup> St. bridge will be arriving on June 10-13. They are 200 foot long pre-stressed concrete beams. They will arrive 3-4 beams per day. During this time portions of 15<sup>th</sup> St. from US 22 to MLK may be closed to traffic. You will receive updates as they become available so you can plan your commutes accordingly.

## PHONE NUMBERS

Police Emergency/Fire/Ambulance 911  
Police Vice (drugs) 610-437-7726  
Neighbor Disputes (Police) 610-437-7773  
Building Safety & Standards 610-437-7697  
Animal Control (Recycling Dept) 610-437-7535  
Water Resources 610-437-7642  
Allentown Mayor Pawlowski 610-437-7546  
Shopping Cart pick-up 1-800-244-2278 or K-mart @ 610-791-3033

Police Non-emergency 610-437-7751  
Noise Violations (Police) 610-437-7751  
Parking Authority 610-437-3366  
Health (garbage) 610-437-7759  
Recycling Office 610-437-8729  
Allentown Graffiti Busters 610-437-8729  
State Sen. Pat Browne 610-821-8468  
State Rep/ Justin Simmons 610-282-3901